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ASTAXANTHIN FROM THE GREEN  
MICROALGAE CHLORELLA IN DARK-  
HETEROTROPHIC CULTURES

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**DECLARATION OF PO-FUNG IP, KA- HO WONG AND FENG CHEN**

PO-FUNG IP, KA-HO WONG and FENG CHEN declare that:

1. Feng Chen is the applicant in the above-identified application.
2. We are the authors of an article entitled: Enhanced Production of Astaxanthin by the Green Microalga Chlorella Zofingrensis in Mixotrophic Culture which appears in Process Biochemistry 39 (2004) 1761-1766.
3. To the extent that the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified application is also disclosed in our publication, the publication discloses the invention solely of Feng Chen while Po-Fung Ip and Ka-Ho Wong are co-authors in recognition of their valuable contributions to work done under the direction of Feng Chen.

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4. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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